GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1261
ANSWERED ON:15.07.2004
PENDING AND ONGOING RAIL PROJECTS IN H.P.
Shandil Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pending/ongoing rail projects/surveys in Himachal Pradesh alongwith the progress made thereof, project- wise:

(b) the amount allocated to each of the project and the expenditure incurred so far thereon;

(c) whether some projects are running behind their scheduled time;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor, project-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to complete these projects in time ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (e) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1261 BY DR. COL. (RETD.) DHANI RAM SHANDIL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.07.2004 REGARDING PENDING AND ONGOING RAIL PROJECTS IN H.P.

(a)& (b) : The details of pending/ongoing rail projects in Himachal Pradesh alongwith allocation of funds, expenditure incurred and progress made are as under:-

(Rs. In crore)

S.No	Name of Project	Anticipated cost	Anticipated expenditure incurred upto March, 2004	Proposed outlay during 2004-05	Status
1.	New B.G. line between Nangaldam-Talwara taking over siding of Mukerian-Talwara.	210.00	91.47	11.00	The work of construction of new Broad Gauge line between Nangal and Una (17 kms.) has since been completed and commissioned. The work of Una-Churaru Takrala (16 kms) has also been completed and Commissioner of Railway Safety has granted sanction for running of passenger trains. The detailed estimate for the next block section i.e. Churaru Takrala and Amb Anduara (11 kms) has been sanctioned. The acquisition of land is getting delayed as the clearance from Forest Dept. is awaited.
2.	New B.G. line between Kalka-	27.90	0.15	0.15	The matter with regard to acquisition of land in Kambli village in Himachal Pradesh has been taken up

	Parwanoo.			with the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh who have proposed to change the location of terminus station from Kambli to Tipra. In view of the space constraints at Tipra, the State Govt. has been advised to reconsider the matter. Once the final stand of the State Govt. is known and land is made available, the physical work of construction of this line would be started.
3.	Doubling of rail line between Jalandhar-Pathankot-Jammu Tawi.	408.69	95.42	33.97	About 11 kms of Jalandhar-Pathankot-Jammu Tawi section falls in the State of Himachal Pradesh. The detailed estimate for the project has been sanctioned. The work is in full swing and three sections viz. Suchipind-Bhogpur-Sirwal (26 kms), Mukerian-Mirthal (18 kms) and Bharoli-Madhopur Punjab (13 kms) are targeted for completion during 2004-05. The whole project is targeted for completion during 2007-08.

An updating survey for Bhanupali-Bilaspur new line proposed to be taken up in the State which has been included in the budget 2004-05.

(c) to (e) : The works are being progressed as per availability of resources. A number of initiatives have been taken to mobilize other than normal budgetary resources to expedite completion of ongoing projects.